



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2003 Assembly Bill 306

**Assembly Substitute
Amendment 1**

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Under *current law*, it is a Class A misdemeanor to issue any check or other order (hereinafter, “check”) worth \$2,500 or less that the person intends will not be paid.¹ It is a Class I felony to issue a single check worth more than \$2,500 or to issue more than one check within a 15-day period amounting in the aggregate to more than \$2,500 if the person intends the check or checks will not be paid.²

Assembly Bill 306 provides that a person is guilty of a Class I felony if he or she issues a check worth more than **\$1,500** or more than one check totaling more than **\$1,500** in a 15-day period that the person intends will not be paid.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 provides that a person is guilty of a Class I felony if he or she issues a check worth more than \$2,500 or more than one check totaling more than \$2,500 in a **90-day period** that the person intends will not be paid.

The Assembly Committee on Criminal Justice recommended adoption of the substitute amendment on a vote of Ayes, 11; Noes, 1, and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 9; Noes, 3, on September 17, 2003.

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¹ A Class A misdemeanor is punishable by imprisonment of not more than nine months and a fine of not more than \$10,000.

² A Class I felony is punishable by imprisonment of not more than 3 ½ years and a fine of not more than \$10,000.